of Warsaw may even be part of the

While the attack of the German armies at several points has lost force, the pressure in the region of Lowicz forty-five miles from Warsaw, has been maintained. It is rumored in Petrograd that Gen. von Mackensen has driven the Russians from Lodz and has pressed on until his advance guards are within infeen miles of Warsaw.

The encouraging feature of the situation on the eastern front is that the Austro-German armies have been able to relieve either Cracow or Prze-mysl, in spite of their progress in central Poland. It is believed in Petrograd that if the Russians can hold on for a little longer in the south and also in East Prussla the Germans will be obliged again to retire in the centre

Some correspondents in the Russian capital assert that the Grand Duke is to spring another trap, such as the Germans walked into on their pre-

land is being successfully maintained.

#### STILL HOLD LOWICZ.

#### Russians Deny Important Point Is in German Hands.

pecial Cable Despatch to THE SUS.

emphatic assurances of the Russian military authorities Lowicz is still in Russian hands, although it has been several times under the fire of German guns.

"The strategical situation naturally alters the relative value of places. Since the refention of the Czenstochova fortified lines coased to form the Russian objective the retention of the railway from Lowicz to Lodz southward is not, strategically speaking, essential and a further specifies for the sake of ret integrity. for the sake of ret ining it is

"Polish lands have already been laid to waste and it is too late to save the people from the horrors of an invasion. German forces are being flung unspar-ingly into the Polish melting pot."

#### ANOTHER BATTLE NEAR.

#### Correspondent Says Issue Will Be Joined in a Week.

rial Cable Despatch to Tun Sen respondent of the Morning Post tele-graphs: the War Office announcements, the phrase "Our progress has been continued and

for another titanic battle. The daily fight-hausen, had been disptured after an en-ing now is of the nature of reconnaissance gagement lasting several days. Artiand it is expected that it will be quite · week before the issue is joined.

The Germans are using their cavalry hitherto. Aeroplane work has been curtailed owing to the fact that the Russians have learned how to bring down the machines from any altitudes which are useful for spying. A day rarely passes without one of the machines being bagged, and occasionally two or more are brought down. I believe the Russian success against aeroplanes is due to a novel application of old missiles which have long been discarded."

### NEW RUSSIAN PLAN.

#### Staff to Announce Fresh Disposition of Troops in Poland.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. London, Dec. 11 .- The Daily Mail correspondent at Petrograd telegraphs the

"In the course of a day or two the Russian General Staff will probably an-nounce a fresh disposition of the Russian forces in western Poland. It may be taken for granted that the change wil be of such a nature as to keep the Germans in territory disadvantageous to them, in that they will be a long dis-tance from railways and lines of com-munications which must be carefully

the Germans at the approach of the Russian army. That shortsighted view does not take into account the chief aim and object of the Russian Generals, which is to destroy hostile armies. A greater is to destroy hostile armies. A greater panic will be caused in Germany by depair will be caused in Germany by depair which has its centre already within range.

inhabitants to work at paving the thoroughfares if stone cannot be obtained.

"The further the Germans are drawn into Poland the more difficult it is for them to avail themselves of the mechanical transportation which they have brought to such a high pitch of efficiency. Another consideration to be taken into account is that in attacking Russia's frontiers, which the Germans and Austrians are now doing on three sides of a square, any advance from the west must, in order to be safe, be accompanied by an equal advance from the north and south.

"When East Prussia is cleared, and when Galicia as far as Cracow is occupied and firmly held against attacks by Hungary, then is the moment to hurl a mighty invading army across the Silesian frontier.

"In East Prussia, the progress is bound to be slow, but there is every reason to believe that it is sure. In the region of the Mazurian Lakes every few yards taken must be fortified. The Russians speak of it as engineering warfare.

CZAR'S TROOPS IN SERVIA?

### Key to East Prussia.

of the district is.

"It is really the key to East Prussia, and in spite of cunningly placed mines and wire entanglements charged with powerful electric currents or crossed wires.

To get to Antivari, the Monteneg

er. In which the Bussian General then up the Adriatic, must leave no loophole, can be realized by noticing the points where the

ized by noticing the points where the fighting is going on.

"On the northern extreme is the Mazurian Lake district, and almost due south of there another conflict is raging in the foothills of the Carpathians. Here the Russians have had success against the Austrians, who are trying to draw their attention from Cracew and Pizemyst. News of the investment of the latter place continues to be encouraging. The number of forts reduced has been increased dusing the last few days."

Consul-General Thackara Recovers.

Parts, Dec. 11.—A. M. Thackara, the American Consul-General, has recovered from an attack of bronchitts and has resumed work.

News of the investment of the latter place continues to be encouraging. The number of forts reduced has been increased dusing the last few days."

"As for the hattle in progress south of bracow, that for the moment is the most important operation on either front. The

# Allies Win in Desperate Fight for Ypres Trenches

Drive Germans Out of Only Position Taken by Them in Four Infantry Dashes and Continue Progress Toward Kaiser's Lines.

### FRENCH OCCUPY RAILROAD STATION IN ALSACE

ourse of events accurately and ade-

A report from Sluis, via Rotterdam,

ALLIES IN LA BASSEE?

Town Captured by French in Bril-

Hant Attack, London Hears.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SEN.

north of France to the Daily Mail says:
"A heavy cannonade is going on in the direction of Armentieres. The enemy's

COAST AGAIN SHELLED.

British Cruisers Bombard Germans

Around Nieuport.

By Central News.

HEAR OF BIG VICTORY.

in Belgium. By Central News.

TRAINING NEW ARMY.

Special Cable Despatch to The Sex

London, Dec. 12 .- A despatch from the

a particularly violent character near Ypres is the feature of both the official com-The German War Office in Berlin as-erts that the offensive in northern Po-attacks by the Germans on the Allies' and is being successfully maintained. lines yesterday were beaten back. At one point the Kaiser's forces reached the first line of the Allies trenches, but this triumph was short lived. A counter attack by the French and British recaptured the trench to-day.

The series of attacks on the trenches LONDON, Dec. 11.—The correspondent was announced in the communique this of the Times at Petrograd telegraphs: The main pressure on the Austro-Gerafternoon. The night communique this afternoon. The night communique, is forces in Poland continues to be sued at 10.00 colors. man forces in Poland continues to be exerted around Lowicz. According to the emphatic assurances of the Russian military authorities Lowicz is still in Rus-

of 3 o'clock this afternoon as hav-ing been reached by the Germans

has been retaken by us.
On the rest of the front there is

It is not thought in military circles here that the new attacks on 1 pres mean a determined effort of the Germans to break through, but have been launched for the purpose of taking off some of the pressure which the Allies have been exerting at virtually every foot of the line from Alsace to the sea. The plan LONDON, Dec. 12.—The Petrograd cor- ued yester-lay and to-day, as shown in

"With the arrival of German reenforcements and consequent changes in the disposition of the Russian troops we have
reentered a trying period of preparation
for another titanic battle. The delib field. another titanic battle. The daily fightnow is of the nature of reconnaissance it is expected that it will be quite teck before the issue is joined.

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The enemy yesterday showed a cer-The enemy yesterday showed a certain activity in the region of Ypres. He directed several attacks against our lines, three of which were completely repulsed. At only one point on the front did the Germans succeed in reaching one of our first line trenches.

On our side, we continued to make On our side, we continued to make progress in the direction of the enemy's lines. In the region of Arras and in the vicinity of Juvincourt there have been

artillery engagements.

In the Arkonne we have pushed forward several of our trenches and driven back two German attacks.

In the resion of Varennes we have consolidated our gains of the preceding days. The German artillery has been very active but we suffered no

ing days. The German arthery has been very active, but we suffered no lossez.

A similar condition has existed on the heights of the Meuse. In the forcest of Le Pretre our progress has been continued and has developed.

To the south of Thann we have accounted the railroad station of Assection of Assecti

occupied the railroad station of As-Along the remainder of the front

in the Vosges there have been artillery engagements. Unofficial reports go much in advance munications which must be carefully guarded, thus occupying a large number of troops.

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of the inhabitants of Lodz have reached Warsaw afoot. They say that Lodz was completely foodless when it was evacuated. The entire population quit, fearing the German soldiers.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SEN

London, Dec. 11 .- Despatches from "Sometimes whole days are spent in driving the enemy from the narrow neck of land between stretches of water. The announces that the Servian army has been of land between stretches of water.

Germans are using every possible device to hinder the advance, which shows that they know how important the possession on the White Sea, on Ocober 27, and on the White Sea, on Ocober 28.

To get to Antivari, the Montenegrin port on the Adriatic, the Russian transingeniously contrived, the Russians are steadily progressing. When winter freezes the lakes, the task will be half again as easy.

"The awkward nature of the line of frontier in which the Russian General frontier in which the Russian frontier f



## GAINS IN FLANDERS CLAIMED BY BERLIN

German Official Statement Also Announces Progress in the Argonne.

NO CHANGE IN THE EAST

Special Cable Despatch to The Sun.

Such information are met with the reply to-day by the German Army Headquarthat the official statements describe the ters Staff, the Germans claim to have

we have made progress in Flanders. To the east and to the west of the Argonne (in France) the enemy's artillery positions were attacked with good results. French attacks in the forest of Le Pretre and to the west of Pont-a-Mousson were remulsed.

There is no change in the situaeast of the Mazurian Lakes Our attacks in northern Poland are progressing. No news is at hand from southern Poland.

### WINNING IN GALICIA.

### direction of Armenti res. The enemy's shells are now falling short of the town, the strong pressure of the Allies having compelled the Germans to move their artillery further back. Armentleres now breathes freely. The entry of the Allies into the town was received with loud accommations. Austrians Report Success in Opera-I am able to state positively that the tions Against Russians. French have carried the remaining trenches which barred their advance and that La Bassee has fallen into their hands after a very brilliant infantry at-

Washington, Dec. 11.—The Austro-Hungarian Embassy received the follow-ing official statement from Vienna to-day. No mention is made of the Servian cam-

paign.

"In west Galicia our attacks are continuing uninterrupted. Hostile attacks in the neighborhood of Petrokow have failed. The tenacity of the Austro-Hungarian-German offensive continues. Our troops alone captured last week 2.800 Russians. Perfect cooperation of the allied (German and Austra-Hungarian), troops is eviand Austro-Hungarian) troops is evi-denced."

## COPENHAGEN, Dec. 11.—A despatch from Berlin says British cruisers yesterday opened a bombardment of the Belgian coast "with the evident purpose of stopping the German advance in the Nieu-Advice of Leader of National Liberals in Reichstag.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 11.—The Telegranf prints a speech made by Herr Basserman, leader of the National Liberals in the Reichstag at Berlin, in which he said: British Said to Have Scored Triumph "Let us retain all the territory we al-ready occupy and also what we shall yet conquer and think necessary to keep. LONDON, Dec. 11 .- Reports reached here conquer and think necessary Through bloody war to glorious victory

#### SEIZURES DESCRIBED.

English Captains Tell How Emden Sank Their Ships.

The German Press Bureau in New York gave out the following statement yester-

tay:
The Ceylon Times publishes the follow-400,000 Young Frenchmen, 1915

Class, Go Into Camp.

Paris, Dec. 11.—The class of 1915, comprising 400,000 young men of 10 to 20, went into training to-day in military instruction camps throughout the country. These young men have had some preliminary training in their home localities and will be ready to go to the front in the spring.

POINCARE AIDS AUTHORS.

English captains the Emden of the Tymeric relates: "We left Colombo on Friday, September 25, and steamed ahead unconcernedly until at 11:25 P. M. we met a mandof-war which displayed no lights. The warship, which we later learned was the Emden, signalled us with a lantern to stop. A boat in command of a Lieutenant was lowered and came alongside of us. The officer said to me, "We are a German alongside to see your paginutes to Subscribes to Fund for Writers Impoverished by War.

The officer said to me, "We are a German warship and would like to see your papers." Then we were given ten minutes to leave the ship and informed that we were

prisoners.
"'After the Germans had searched the Paris, Dec. 11 .- The Temps acknowl-PARIS, Dec. 11.—The Temps acknowledges the receipt of 1,000 francs (\$200) from the firm of Isler & Guye, American importers of straw goods, of 568 Broadway, New York, for the French refusees from the invaded departments. The impore was sent to Leon Bourgeois, president of the refugee committee.

"After the Germans had searched the ship for provisions and the last boat had left the side of our ship we heard a dull explosion. They had blown up the ship and she disappeared below the waves. The chief engineer and myself were well treated aboard the Emden, only we were deat of the refugee committee. dent of the refugee committee.

The Committee of Letters, which is providing help for writers for newspapers and authors of books who are without results an

the Germans at the approach of the Russian army. That shortsighted view does not take into account the chief aim and object of the Russian Generals, which is to destroy hostile armies. A great panie will be caused in Germans and Austrians are making content to the time account in the chief aim and object of the Russian Generals, which is to destroy hostile armies. A great great panie will be caused in German by defect from the west may be used in the left flank of the army which also to the enormous number of most of the capture of the content of the cont shouted to me. Thereupon the cruiser sig-

"e" and has not yet reached chiefs to join the British army with 500

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## ADMIRALTY SILENT ON SUBMARINE RAID

Officers at Dover, However, Are Convinced German Attack Really Was Made.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUS LONDON, Dec. 11.—The Admiralty has given out no information in regard to Bakin, by wireless to London, Dec.

11.—In the official communication issued to-day by the German Army Headquarters Staff, the German claim to have made progress on both sides of the Argonne forest and in Flanders and to have repulsed French attacks in the Woovre region. The text of the statement is as follows:

| Silven out no information in regard to the reported attack by German submarines at Dover. Correspondents there say destroyers which put to sea to hund down the German craft have returned, reporting that they could find none.

There is a tendency in official quarters to discredit or minimize the affair, but officers whose positions at Dover place them in a position to obtain accurate to the find of the reported attack by German submarines at Dover. Correspondents there say destroyers which put to sea to hund down the German craft have returned.

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be ascertained.

It is always difficult, they say, to discover whether or not a submarine is hit. The gunners and the searchlight men are positive that they saw submarines and that three were hit. One disappeared in a manner which convinced them that it has search to search to sea and the search to sea and that three were hit. One disappeared in a manner which convinced them that it has sea and the sea and the

that oil was seen. It is believed that the attackers fired three torpedoes.

The skipper of a Norwegian timber ship which are the second of the skipper of a Norwegian timber ship pages. which arrived at Folkestone yesterday said he saw three submarines going eastward between Folkstone and Dover in

NEW LLOYDS RATE DROP. officers and men had been lost.

Reductions on other risks have also ship.

manner which convinced them that it GERMAN SHIP SUNK IN BALTIC

PARIS, Dec. 11.-The French Militates of Marine Issued an official statement to day saying it was reported that the German armored cruiser Friedrich Karl had been sunk by a .nine in the baltic lare in November and that most of her 55?

The Friedrich Karl was a versel of 6.858 The Friedrich Karl was a vessel of \$,859 tons launched in 1801. She was 199.8 feet long and had a speed of twenty knots. She had a complete beit of armor 7.2 nounced a further reduction on capture feet wide and from 8.1 to 3.9 inches thick risk rates to and from the River Plate, and carried four 8.2 inch, ten 6.3 inch from 60 shillings per cent. on December 9 and twelve 3.4 inch gurs and four 15 inch to 40 shillings per cent. on December 10 and to 30 shillings per cent. on December 10 submerged torpedo tubes. She was seed of \$,859 tons launched in 1801. She was 499.8 feet long and had a speed of twenty knots. She was 199.8 feet long and had a speed of twenty knots. She was 499.8 feet long and had a speed of twenty knots. She was 499.8 feet long and had a speed of twenty knots. She was 499.8 feet long and had a speed of twenty knots. She was 499.8 feet long and had a speed of twenty knots. She was 499.8 feet long and had a speed of twenty knots. She was 499.8 feet long and had a speed of twenty knots. She had a complete beit of armor 7.2 feet wide and from 8.1 to 3.9 inches thick from 60 shillings per cent. on December 9 and twelve 3.4 inch gurs and four 15 inch to 40 shillings per cent. on December 10 submerged torpedo tubes. She was 389.8 feet long and had a speed of twenty knots.

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